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For : ELECTRONIC ENDOSCOPE SYSTEM

**RESPONSE UNDER 35 U.S.C. §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir :

In response to the Office Action of May 18, 2007, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on August 20, 2007 (August 18, 2007 falling on a Saturday), the period for Response having been extended to expire on October 18, 2007 by the concurrently-filed request for a (two-month) Extension of Time, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objection and rejections, as well as an indication of the allowability of each of the claims now pending.

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